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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicants request that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicants with the next official communication.

Of the references listed on the attached 1449 Form, German Patent Nos. 2809911, 3247264, and 3807503 and Swiss Patent No. 667395 are not in english. Applicant has provided an english abstract, of each of the above patents, from Derwent WPI.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(2), Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee of \$180.00, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. \$1.17(p), and any additional fees deemed necessary, to Deposit Account No. 19-0743. The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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